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List of 11 Buffer Solution Formulas

Buffer Solution ↗

1) Buffer Capacity ↗

fx
$$\beta = \frac{n_{a/b}}{d_{\text{pH}}}$$

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ex
$$2.5 = \frac{10}{4}$$

2) Concentration of Acid in Acidic Buffer using Henderson's Equation ↗

fx
$$C_{\text{acid}} = \frac{C_{\text{salt}}}{10^{\text{pH} - \text{pK}_a}}$$

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ex
$$15.81139 \text{ mol/L} = \frac{50 \text{ mol/L}}{10^{3-2.5}}$$

3) Concentration of Base in Basic Buffer using Henderson's Equation ↗

fx
$$C_{\text{base}} = \frac{C_{\text{salt}}}{10^{\text{pOH} - \text{pK}_b}}$$

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ex
$$25.05936 \text{ mol/L} = \frac{50 \text{ mol/L}}{10^{8-7.7}}$$



4) Concentration of Salt in Acidic Buffer using Henderson's equation ↗

fx $C_{\text{salt}} = C_{\text{acid}} \cdot (10^{\text{pH} - \text{pK}_a})$

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ex $47.43416 \text{ mol/L} = 15 \text{ mol/L} \cdot (10^{3-2.5})$

5) Concentration of Salt in Basic Buffer using Henderson's Equation ↗

fx $C_{\text{salt}} = C_{\text{base}} \cdot (10^{\text{pOH} - \text{pK}_b})$

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ex $49.88156 \text{ mol/L} = 25 \text{ mol/L} \cdot (10^{8-7.7})$

6) Maximum pH of Basic Buffer ↗

fx $\text{pH} = 14 - \text{pK}_b$

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ex $6.3 = 14 - 7.7$

7) Maximum pOH of Acidic Buffer ↗

fx $\text{pOH} = 14 - \text{pK}_a$

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ex $11.5 = 14 - 2.5$

8) pH of Acidic Buffer using Henderson's Equation ↗

fx $\text{pH} = \text{pK}_a + \log 10 \left(\frac{C_{\text{salt}}}{C_{\text{acid}}} \right)$

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ex $3.022879 = 2.5 + \log 10 \left(\frac{50 \text{ mol/L}}{15 \text{ mol/L}} \right)$



9) pKa of Acidic Buffer using Henderson's Equation ↗

fx $pK_a = pH - \log 10 \left(\frac{C_{\text{salt}}}{C_{\text{acid}}} \right)$

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ex $2.477121 = 3 - \log 10 \left(\frac{50\text{mol/L}}{15\text{mol/L}} \right)$

10) pKb of Basic Buffer using Henderson's Equation ↗

fx $pK_b = pOH - \log 10 \left(\frac{C_{\text{salt}}}{C_{\text{base}}} \right)$

Open Calculator ↗

ex $7.69897 = 8 - \log 10 \left(\frac{50\text{mol/L}}{25\text{mol/L}} \right)$

11) pOH of Basic Buffer using Henderson's Equation ↗

fx $pOH = pK_b + \log 10 \left(\frac{C_{\text{salt}}}{C_{\text{base}}} \right)$

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ex $8.00103 = 7.7 + \log 10 \left(\frac{50\text{mol/L}}{25\text{mol/L}} \right)$



Variables Used

- C_{acid} Concentration of Acid (*Mole per Liter*)
- C_{base} Concentration of Base (*Mole per Liter*)
- C_{salt} Concentration of Salt (*Mole per Liter*)
- d_{pH} Change in pH
- $n_{a/b}$ Number of Moles of Acid or Base
- pH Negative Log of Hydronium Concentration
- pK_a Negative Log of Acid Ionization Constant
- pK_b Negative Log of Base Ionization Constant
- pOH Negative Log of Hydroxyl Concentration
- β Buffer Capacity



Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Function:** **log10**, log10(Number)
Common logarithm function (base 10)
- **Measurement:** **Molar Concentration** in Mole per Liter (mol/L)
Molar Concentration Unit Conversion ↗



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